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In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-25 (canceled)

26. (New) A method of treating fibromyalgia syndrome (FMS) and/or physiological symptoms associated therewith in an animal subject, comprising administering to an animal subject suffering from FMS, an effective amount of a dual serotonin norepinephrine reuptake inhibitor (SNRI), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

27. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein the SNRI is an aminocycloprane compound of the formula I:

$$(R)_{\overline{n}}$$
 R_1
 R_2
 R_3
 R_4

in which: R represents hydrogen, halogen, lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, hydroxy, nitro, or amino; n represents the value 1 or 2;

R1 and R2 are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, lower alkyl, lower aryl, and lower-alkylaryl, which aryl or alkylaryl group is optionally substituted by a halogen atom, and, with the adjacent nitrogen atom, a heterocycle of 5 or 6 ring members;

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R3 and R4 are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, lower

alkyl, and, together with the adjacent nitrogen atom, a heterocycle of 5 or 6 ring members

optionally containing an additional nitrogen or oxygen heteroatom, or a salt thereof with a

therapeutically-acceptable inorganic or organic acid.

28. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein the SNRI has NMDA receptor antagonistic

properties.

29. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein symptoms associated with FMS are treated.

30. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein the SNRI is adjunctively administered with

antidepressants, analgesics, muscle relaxants, anorectics, stimulants, antiepileptic drugs,

sedatives, or hypnotics.

31. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein the SNRI is adjunctively administered with

neurontin, pregabalin, pramipexole, 1-DOPA, amphetamine, tizanidine, clonidine, tramadol,

morphine, codeine, carbamazepine, sibutramine, amphetamine, valium, or trazodone.

32. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein the animal subject is a human.

33. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein the amount administered is from about 25

mg to about 400 mg per day.

34. (New) The method according to claim 26, wherein the SNRI is formulated in a

sustained release dosage formulation.

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35. (New) A method of treating pain in an animal subject, comprising administering to an animal subject suffering from pain, an effective amount of an SNRI, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

36. (New) The method of claim 35, wherein the SNRI is an aminocycloprane compound of the formula I:

$$(R)_{\overline{n}}$$
 R_1
 R_2
 R_3
 R_4

in which: R represents hydrogen, halogen, lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, hydroxy, nitro, or amino; n represents the value 1 or 2;

R1 and R2 are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, lower alkyl, lower aryl, and lower-alkylaryl, which aryl or alkylaryl group is optionally substituted by a halogen atom, and, with the adjacent nitrogen atom, a heterocycle of 5 or 6 ring members;

R3 and R4 are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, lower alkyl, and, together with the adjacent nitrogen atom, a heterocycle of 5 or 6 ring members

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optionally containing an additional nitrogen or oxygen heteroatom, or a salt thereof with a

therapeutically-acceptable inorganic or organic acid.

37. (New) The method of claim 35, wherein the SNRI is adjunctively administered with

antidepressants, analgesics, muscle relaxants, anorectics, stimulants, antiepileptic drugs,

sedatives, or hypnotics.

38. (New) The method of claim 35, wherein the SNRI is adjunctively administered with

neurontin, pregabalin, pramipexole, 1-DOPA, amphetamine, tizanidine, clonidine, tramadol,

morphine, a tricyclic antidepressant, codeine, carbamazepine, sibutramine, amphetamine,

valium, or trazodone.

39. (New) The method of claim 35, wherein the SNRI has NMDA receptor antagonistic

properties.

40. (New) The method according to claim 35, wherein the animal subject is a human.

41. (New) The method according to claim 35, wherein the amount administered is from

about 25 mg to about 400 mg per day.

42. (New) The method according to claim 35, wherein the SNRI is formulated in a

sustained release dosage formulation.

43. (New) A method of treating chronic fatigue syndrome (CFS) and/or physiological

symptoms associated therewith in an animal subject, comprising administering to an animal

subject suffering from CFS, an effective amount of an SNRI, or a pharmaceutically acceptable

salt thereof.

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44. (New) The method of claim 43, wherein the SNRI is an aminocycloprane compound of the formula I:

$$(R)_{n}$$
 R_{1}
 R_{2}
 R_{3}
 R_{4}

in which: R represents hydrogen, halogen, lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, hydroxy, nitro, or amino; n represents the value 1 or 2;

R1 and R2 are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, lower alkyl, lower aryl, and lower-alkylaryl, which aryl or alkylaryl group is optionally substituted by a halogen atom, and, with the adjacent nitrogen atom, a heterocycle of 5 or 6 ring members;

R3 and R4 are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, lower alkyl, and, together with the adjacent nitrogen atom, a heterocycle of 5 or 6 ring members optionally containing an additional nitrogen or oxygen heteroatom, or a salt thereof with a therapeutically-acceptable inorganic or organic acid.

45. (New) The method according to claim 43, wherein the SNRI is adjunctively administered with antidepressants, analgesics, muscle relaxants, anorectics, stimulants, antiepileptic drugs, sedatives, or hypnotics.

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46. (New) The method according to claim 43, wherein the SNRI is adjunctively

administered with neurontin, pregabalin, pramipexole, 1-DOPA, amphetamine, tizanidine,

clonidine, tramadol, morphine, a tricyclic antidepressant, codeine, carbamazepine, sibutramine,

amphetamine, valium, or trazodone.

47. (New) The method according to claim 43, wherein the animal subject is a human.

48. (New) The method according to claim 43, wherein the amount administered is from

about 25 mg to about 400 mg per day.

49. (New) The method according to claim 43, wherein the SNRI is formulated in a

sustained release dosage formulation.

50. (New) A kit comprising an SNRI or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and

instructions teaching a method of use according to claim 26.

51. (New) The kit of claim 50 in which the SNRI or salt thereof is packaged in unit

dosage form.

52. (New) A kit comprising an SNRI or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and

instructions teaching a method of use according to claim 35.

53. (New) The kit of claim 24 in which the SNRI or salt thereof is packaged in unit

dosage form.

54. (New) A kit comprising an SNRI or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and

instructions teaching a method of use according to claim 43.

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55. (New) The kit of claim 24 in which the SNRI or salt thereof is packaged in unit dosage form.